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# Supreme Dahlias

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SEEDLINGS
CHOICE NOVELTIES
and VARIETIES
of Unusual Merit from both
East and West



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### ALMY'S SUPREME DAHLIAS

It is with pleasure I submit my Annual Catalogue of Dahlias for 1931. I wish to call particular attention to my Seedlings listed within, also to my Green Plants described in the back of this catalogue.

Thanking my many customers for their patronage and kind letters of appreciation.

Sincerely,

F. W. C. ALMY.

### ABBREVIATIONS

I. D.—Informal Decorative. H. C.—Hybrid Cactus. C.—Cactus P.—Peony. P. D.—Peony-Decorative. Dec.—Decorative. (Descriptions are in Most Cases the Originators)

#### TERMS

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# Seedlings

### New Introductions for 1931

Supreme Glory. Another season has added to the fame of this truly great Dec. Have had fine reports from all sections of the Country but best of all it attained to the Honor Roll in 1930, a great honor in these days of keen competition, Mr. Hart said of it; "it was literally covered with large, perfect blooms, golden yellow with blushes of scarlet on the face of the flower, with deeper scarlet tones on the reverse of the petals. In some blooms the scarlet is more pronounced than in others and when that is the case it is really a color gem, as the red and yellow blend perfectly, without the sharp contract sometimes shown. It is not a tall grower, but a heavyy foliaged sturdy plant and, withal, a very impressive Dahlia."

Dr. A. J. Faulk of Mitchell, Neb., who grew over 400 varieties—including all of Derrill W. Hart's Roll of Honor Dahlias, as well as the Sunkist Honor Roll, said, "Your Supreme Glory was by far the best gold colored Dahlia on these Gardens, I counted the flowers on two plants one had 52 and the other 48 flowers and buds at one time and each had 3 blooms over 9 inches. It bloomed among the earliest and retained full center itll frost. It does not burn in the most trying summer heat of this Section. Each plant was a golden bouquet, so full of flowers that the foliage was hardly discernable. It keeps well, has long, clean stems that hold the flowers right all the season. I cannot say too much for Supreme Glory".

The foregoing from two such eminent judges as Mr. Hart and Dr. Faulk speaks for itself and bears out my statement that it is very outstanding and the most prolific large Dahlia to

date

It grows 4 to 5 ft. tall and blooms of 10 inches are common, frequently 5 or 6 of that size at once, and have grown it to  $11\frac{1}{2}$  inches without forcing. It is practically immune to insect pests even the borers seldom attacking its hard woody stems, which will average two to three feet long Roots \$10 each, net; 3 for \$26, net; Plants \$5 each: 3 for \$12.

Sakonnett Queen, Dec. This Dahlia is one of the most vivid pinks and a slightly different shade from any pink grown. A very prolific bloomer, on stiff stems, and a wonderful keeper, remaining in good condition for a week when picked and even longer on the bush. Center, always closed. Plants very sturdy grower of 5 feet in height, with very dark green foliage which sets off the beautiful blooms to perfection. Roots \$10. Plants \$5.

Purity. Dec.—This dahlia was even better, 1930, than ever before and is absolutely in a class by itself. Seedling of Elite Glory it has the the size and stems of its parents; and same long, wide petals. It is a pure white, without a trace of

yellow or cream, and has a big deep golden yellow center. For sheer beauty, I consider it the best white of any form, and is absolutely unbeatable in the peony class. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50; 3 for \$10.

Supreme Monarch, Dec.—Available in 1932, Giant blooms of rich brilliant red, with backs suffused with pearly white, which also shows on tips of some petals—always. A magnificent and impressive bloom on hard, woody stems, as large as a lead pencil, absolutely cane stiff and two to three feet long. Insect and borer proof this season. Petals twist slightly, showing reverse and making it an artistic bloom in spite of its immense size, which will average larger than Elite Glory—its parent.

### New Introductions for 1931

(Tubers, of most of these very limited and should be ordered early) (Descriptions by D. W. Hart.)

Tang. I. D. (Downs) A magnificent dahlia the equal of Jane Cowl in every way (except stem may be a bit shorter) and even more beautiful. A bright, tawny, orange flame, shading to copper, orange on the outside, with gold tints at the center of the flower. The outside petals have a clear buff reverse and as they curl and twist, the color effect is about as attractive as any Dahlia we have ever seen. Shape of flowers very like Jane Cowl but builds up to a higher center. This Dahlia is a top liner. Plants only \$7.50.

Dwight W. Morrow, I. D. (Maytrott)—Winner at Atlantic City, as Best Informal Dec. Seedling and a standout Dahlia at both Trenton and Camden. It is a rich crimson red of royal appearance, about as rich a color as any Dahlia in existance. Flower has great depth, and good form and does not fade. Mr. Maytrott says of it, "blooms ten inches by six inches, are easily attained and if grown for exhibition blooms, it will hold its own with any Dahlia we have ever seen. The finest Dahlia we have ever introduced." Roots \$15. Plants \$7.50.

Andrea Erickson, I. D., (Fisher & Masson)—A clean-cut, beautiful flower and very white in color. It was good at Asbury Park, New York, Atlantic City and Trenton. Under normal culture it will make a ten inch flower, easily. Originators say; "a perfect white and perfect in all points by which good Dahlias are judged. A huge flower 10-12 inches in diameter, on splendid, sturdy stems". Roots \$10 net Plants \$5.00.

Imperial Pink I. D. (Lydora Gardens) Winner at Camden, also Gold Medal at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Show at Bryn Maur, as Best

Undisseminated Seedling. A magnificent colored Dahlia of a rich, bright, true pink, with no layender or mauve tints, but with shades of primrose toward center of flower and then a dark rose-pink center. Large bloom, with long twisted petals around the edges. Also won in Specimen Bloom Class at Trenton, 1929. Roots \$10. Plants \$5.00

Captain Coste. I. D. (Waite-Curran) A daring, big flower, on extra long stems, with as bright a color as any of the yellows shown to date—a clear wax-like gold. At Red Bank, it won Best Undisseminated Seedling in both the Open-to-All and Commercial, sections; also won as Best Yellow in entire Show. A large, wide flower and an impressivve Dahlia, worthy of the French, hero, aviator. Roots \$15. Plants \$7.50

Ashbury Park, F. D. (Wood-Waite)—Good at Atlantic City, Trenton, New York and Red Bank—as well as at Asbury Park, where it received its name by vote of the Board of Governors of the city. At Trenton it won as Best Decorative in the Six-bloom, Open-to-All Class, and at Atlantic City it was runner up in about the best class of seedlings shown this year.

It is a long, regularly petalled flower, built up to a good center. Color is copper-salmon, a true autumn shade. Roots \$15. Plants \$7.50

Eagle Rock Wonder. H. C. (Broomall-Success).—This monster flower won as Largest and Most Perfect Bloom at Trenton and also as Best Dahlia Originated outside of New Jersey. Again at Red Bank it won as Largest and Most Perfect Bloom in the Open-to-All Section. Color is a tanny orange flushed with gold and salmon shading to pure gold at the center. It is a very symetrical flower and will be a consistent winner in the Specimen Bloom and Largest Bloom Classes. Roots \$15 Plants \$7.50.



### Honor Roll and Outstanding Introductions of 1930

American Triumph, Cac., (Amer. D. Farms)—Winner of the American Home Achievement Medal at New York, as Most Worthy New Dahlia. A true Cactus of immense size and extra long stiff stems. Its color is a clean, brilliant red and is a fine keeper. Even better in 1930, than in 1929. Roots (limited) \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Bob White, Dec., (Babylon) — An immense pure white on 3 foot rigid stems. Prolific and a fine keeper. One of the best whites to date. Tubers were \$20 each in 1930. Roots \$10. Plants \$5.00.

Buckeye Bride, Dec., (Peck) — A wonderful pink of surpassing beauty, and Roll of Honor Dahlia. Flowers large, a prolific bloomer on long, perfect stems and splendid keeper. Color a beautiful, geranium pink, unique in Dahlias. For cutting, or exhibition, it is unsurpassed, with a rating of 94. Roots (limited) \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Cardinals, Dec., (Kennedy-Waite)—A constant winner this last season. An immense, brilliant cardinal red, resembling Elite Glory, but a brighter color, which does not fade in sushine. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Dorothy Stone, Dec. (F and M). A large, brilliant pink, brighter and richer than Kathleen Norris. A beautiful color, healthy habits, and a good stem. Derrill Hart says, "it would not surprise me to see it defeat Kathleen Norris, in the Pink Classes of the future." "Nuf sed" Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Dad, Dec. — A very large red, of beautiful formation on the extra long, stiff stems. Roots \$5, Plants \$2.50.

El Rey, Dec., (O & C) — A large flower, of a beautiful golden orange, shading to deeper orange at the center. Vigorous and insect resistant, with long, rigid stems. Winner of A. H. Achievement Medal 1929. Also First Prize in Three Year Seedling Class, at both Santa Monica and San Leandro. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Eschol. Dec. (Newsom) A most gorgeous 1930 introduction. In color it is a strikingly handsome, dark, rich, velvety, reddish bronze, with reverse a dark, reddish wine-color maroon. The flowers are large and of gorgeous beauty, (no other Dahlia has its colorings) held above a medium tall bush of extra dark green foliage on good stems. Roots (very limited) \$10. Plants \$5.

Frank Miller, Dec. (Burch) One of the greatest yellow Dahlias to date, an immense flower on 4 foot stems. Pierie yellow, or the color of a suntinted lemon. On Sunkissed Honor Roll. It won First Prize for Best Bloom, for Best Six Blooms, for Best Fifty Blooms and for Best Keeping Variety. In the basket of 50 blooms the smallest was 10 inches in diameter. Declared by G. V. Warren, "the best yellow in America". Roots (limited) \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Gov. Morgan F. Larson, Dec. (Lyndora) The only 1929 Dahlia approaching Kathleen Norris as a winner. Winner of Gov. Larson's Cup at Trenton, also as Best Yellow in the Open to All Classes at Camden, and many other prizes. An impressive Dahlia of immense size. Color a clear, bright gold. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Gov. Alvin T. Fuller, Dec. (Beatrice)—What in the world made the introducer, start such a beautiful and outstanding flower for \$5 is a mystery. Much better than many \$10 and \$15 varieties. A beautiful, rich, deep pink, of immense size (which it holds the entire season) very prolific, on long, rigid stems. In fact, an outstanding variety and an addition to any collection. A large supply enables me eo quote this at a ridiculously low price, within the reach of everyone. Roots \$3.50. Plants \$1.50.

Hawaiian Nights, Dec. (Newsom)—One of the best 1930 introductions. It has all the colors seen in the clouds over the volcano of the Hawaiian Islands. A most intense scarlet, with orange suffusion, reverse stripped with gold, much of which shows toward center of flower, which is of huge size and very deep, and the stems are absolutely stiff and strong. Foliage very fine cut and beautiful. Roots \$7.50 (limited). Plants \$3.50.

Los Feliz, Dec. (O & C)—A huge, loose-petaled flower—seedling of Elite Glory—of a rich, deep red, center almost black. Stems long and strong. A beauty in color and formation. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50.

La Reina, Dec., (O. and C.) — A very large deep flower on best of stems. A rich straw yellow, with tips of petals shaded a golden brown. Fine. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50.

La Paloma, H. C. (O. and C.) — A beautiful creamy white, of immense size, and fine formation, resembling, somewhat, Star of Bethlehem, but a larger flower, on grand good stems. A high class flower, and one of the best Hybrid Cactus yet introduced. Just out. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Mammouth Champion, Dec. (Kemp)—Winner of a special Award of Merit, at Elizabeth, N. J. and, also, as Best Undissiminated Seedling, at Red Bank in 1929. In 1930 it won everywhere. A flower of rare beauty and the only Dahlia of its color—a brilliant, orange flame, that fairly glistens. An immense bloom, with airtight center and unusually prolific and vigorous. Stems grand. Roots \$7.50 (very limited). Plants \$3.50.

Mark Hanna, Dec. (Good and Reese)—A new introduction, that is, without doubt, the best red Dahlia on the market today. No Dahlia in our Gardens ever attracted more attention, or elicited more favorable comment. The flowers are simply huge, and can easily be grown 12 to 13 inches across, with perfectly full center. The flowers are of the same shade as the popular Richard Geranium—a brilliant, vermilion red. The plant is sturdy and a tall grower. Mark Hanna, is destined to rank among the world's finest. It is the par excellence of red Dahlias. Roots (limited) \$10 net. Plants \$5.

Orinda, Dec. (Newberry - Fraser)—The best New Dahlia at 1929 Boston Show and winner of The A, H. Achievement Medal and two other Firsts. Immense flower of a rich, deep, mauve pink, on long, stiff, stems. Plant vigorous and insect and disease proof.

Plants \$5.

Thomas A. Edison, Dec. (Maytrott)—A gorgeous, royal purple of exhibition size and quality and staghorn petal formation. Dark green, insect resistant foliage, cane stiff stems, and thrifty growing habits. Named by permission of Mr. Edison. Roots (very limited) \$10 net. Plants \$5.

W. H. T., Dec. (McCarroll-Schling)—A new, giant super Exhibition Dahlia, of an unusually brilliant, deep, old rose, with faint tints of mauve on the reverse of petals. A most vigorous grower, on cane stiff stems. Petals extra wide and long, and recurring, so they completely hide the stems, making a bloom of immense depth as well as diameter, and of rare beauty. One of the most beautiful to date Roots \$10. Plants \$5.

Virginia Rae, Dec. (Pflager) — A beautiful dahlia of gold, with bronze on tips of petals. Flowers of immense size and beautiful formation and with the always tight center, showing strongly, the bronzy tones. One of the most beautiful and striking Dahlias in my garden for 1930. Stems like cane, and 3 feet or more, if wanted. An outstanding, new variety. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50.

Virginia Erwin, Dec. A beautiful flower but hard to describe, creamy white, with yellow and lavender tones on the face and deeper almost magenta shadings, on the back. A large bloom on extra stiff stems. Center always tight. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50. An unusual flower.

A number of other outstanding new varieties for 1931 too late to Catalogue. If you miss any you want, write us, we may have it.

### Roll of Honor and Prize Winning Novelties of Recent Introduction

A. O. Kenney, Dec. (Darling)—A large, deep flower, on good stems. A beautiful, golden buff, with the always full center, slightly tinted with bronze. D. W. Hart says of it,—"Never, on any flower, have I seen more gold dust on the petals". Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Betty Ivins, Dec. (F. and M.)—A large and very full flower of a salmon, overlaid with an amber glow, reverse rosy pink. Stems long and stiff. An unusual color and beautiful. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Barbara Redfern, Dec. (Redfern) — One of California's best introductions. A combination of old rose and old gold in color. Large flowers, early and continuous bloomer, on extra good stems. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Brockton Beauty, Dec. (Carver)—A very large flower of extreme depth and size, outstanding

in garden or showroom. Color is pinkish lavender, shading to a creamy white center with lavender reverse. Carried well above the bush, on long, stiff stems. Certificate at Storrs. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Chemar's Masterpiece, Eng. Cac. (Chemar)—Huge, incurved, cactus flowers 10 inches across on best of stems. Color similar to Mrs. Warner, of which it is a seedling. Certificate, N. J. Trial Grounds. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Chemar's U. S. A., Dec. (Chemar)—A large deep flower, with airtight center, stems long and cane-stiff. Color like old U. S. A. Roots, \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Coquette, Dec. (F. and M.)—An immense flower and a beautiful combination of red and gold. Face of petals, musketeer red, blending with gold; reverse, gold. An immense, thick, fluffy flower, with curled and twisted petals. A fine exhibition variety. Flower at least a foot above first pair of leaves. Stems very long and rigid. Leathery, dark green foliage. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, H. C. (F. and M.)—Beautiful rose "du Barry" shade, overlaid and suffused, old ivory, shading to pale gold at center. Reverse carmine pink. Large and free, on rigid stems. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Edna Ferber, H. C. (F. and M.)—An exhibition hybrid cactus of huge size, (up to 11 inches and very deep) on long, stiff stems. A glistening coral shading to old gold at base of petals, which are beautifully twisted. A grand novelty. Roots \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.

Emily Gass, Dec. (Dr. Gass)—A large and beautiful flower of white, with a delicate pink suffusion. Plant is a giant, 7 to 8 feet in height and the 8 to 11 inch flowers are held rigidly erect on 4 foot stems. Free bloomer. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Eldridge, H. C. (Griffiths)—A very fine bloomer of large size, on good stems. Color pure white. Good. Roots \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.

Elite Glory, Dec. (Kennedy) — A monstrous flower of brilliant red, on cane-like stems. One of the most spectacular Dahlias grown and considered by Hart one of the six best Dahlias of Eastern origin. Grown to 14 inches. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Ellinor Vanderveer, Dec. (Seal)—A big bloom of rose pink, on fine, long stems. Roots \$1.

Florence Klein, Dec. (F. and M.)—One of the largest. A very deep, full flower, of a gorgeous salmon-orange color. Vigorous plant, dark green, leathery foliage, stiff stems. An exhibition bloom of exquisite brilliancy. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Fordhook Marvel, Dec. (Burpee)—The best of their Prize Winners at New York. A huge flower, of a bright, rich, salmon, shading to terra cotta red, on grand stems. Plant tall and robust and insect proof. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Fort Monmouth, H. C. (Kemp)—One of the giants of the Dahlia World, growing 13 to 14 inches over a tall, robust plant, 7 to 8 feet in height. Very prolific, frequently 5 or 6 immense blooms open at one time, on stems 3 to 4 feet long and stiff as canes. A rich, crimson maroon and a fine keeper. A most spectacular Dahlia and a constant winner in Largest Bloom Class. Won for us as Largest and Best Bloom, at Portsmouth. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Frank Galvin, Dec. (Galvin)—A very large and deep flower, of beautiful, soft pink, on long stems. Runner up for G. and H. Prize at Boston 1927. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Galli-Curci, Dec. (Lyndora) — An immense, curly petaled flower of a brilliant salmon-orange, intensified with gold tints, and a beautiful sheen. A giant plant, with extra long stiff stems. Very prolific. A great prize winner and a grand variety. Roots §3. Plants §1.50.

Grace M. Lynch, Dec. (Lynch)—A beautiful bloom of white, tinted old ivory toward the center. Large and very prolific. New 1929. Plant tall and very robust. A good one. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Golden Emblem, Dec. (White) — A perfect Dahlia. Has size, beautiful color and formation and wonderful keeper and grand stems. Golden yellow, held high and facing. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Glory of Sunrise Trail, H. C. (Babylon)—Another very striking Hybrid Cactus. A large beautiful flower of maise yellow, tipped violet, with lavender reverse. Strikingly beautiful. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Grace Records, Dec. (Records-Maytrott) — An outstanding novelty of 1929, giving Kathleen Norris a close run at Camden Show. A very large flower of artistic formation, tipped and suffused lavender on white ground. Petals cleft. A tall strong grower. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.75.

Jersey's Glory, Dec. (Waite)—Another of Mr. Waite's beautiful 1929 introductions. A sparkling orange, mingled with yellow. Long, stiff stems which arch gracefully. Large and free, with stems as long as Jersey's Beauty. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Jersey's Beauty, Dec. (Waite)—The old glorious pink that has never been surpassed and is still unbeatable in its class. Roots \$1.

Jersey's Masterpiece, Dec. (Waite)—This is a beautiful strawberry pink, suffused gold at base of florets. A beautiful and outstanding variety, somewhat similar in formation to Insulinde, of extreme size and very prolific, on long, sturdy stems. Fine. Roots \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Jersey's Beacon, Dec. (Waite) — Huge flowers of Chinese scarlet with tan reverse. Great stems. Striking. Roots \$1.

Jersey's Mammoth, Dec. (Waite)—Rightly named, 12 to 14 inch flowers. Golden mahogany. Roots \$1.

Jane Cowl, (Down's)—This massive decorative has been, and still is, one of the greatest prize winners of all time. An immense flower, frequently  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches across and 7 inches deep, on cane stiff stems 3 to 4 feet long and holding the huge flowers well above the foliage, some facing up. Wonderfully beautiful, a warm buff and old gold, blending to salmon at the perfect center. A magnificent variety which every one should grow. Always robust and very prolific. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Jean Hare, H. C. (F .and M.)—A beautiful flower and an unusual formation—nearly cactus. Opens golden yellow, which changes to apricot buff, outer petals, golden bronze. Great size (11 inches) and beauty, rigid, upright stems. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50.

Jack O'Lantern, Dec. (Success)—Introduced in 1928 and scoring 87 at New Jersey Trial grounds. Flower scarlet, reverse pure yellow, large and very striking. Stems the best. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Kathleen Norris, Dec. (F. and M.)—Another season has but added to the lustre of this most wonderful Dahlia. The judges of four leading shows gave it the highest awards in 1929, but its winnings in 1930 were legion. It won in practically every show entered, in its class. Blooms are of gigantic proportions, a true rosepink, later deepening to mallow pink. Broad overlapping petals with twisted ends, and center always full and on stems that hold it right up to be admired. Foliage dark green and leathery and positively insect proof. One of the most beautiful Dahlias ever introduced. A limited number of Roots \$7 each. Plants \$3.50.

King Midas, Dec. (Deawds)—A georgeous, deep, golden yellow and considered by Derrill W. Hart as one of the six greatest exhibition Dahlias of Eastern origin, and a constant winner. Will produce 6 to 8 immense exhibition blooms at one time and on perfect stems. Roots \$6. Plants \$3.

Kemp's Violet Wonder, Dec. (Kemp) — Bright, royal purple, an unique and absolutely new shade. An impressive flower with its great size and depth carried on grand stems. Winner everywhere. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Marshall's Matchless, H. C.—A giant flower, easily grown 11 inches across. Spinel pink or bright Cattelya, held erect on 3 foot stems and a splendid keeper. Petals have sharp points. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50.

Mary Louise Phelan, Wonder Cactus (Murphy) -Claimed by the originater to be the most wonderful and beautiful Dahlia ever produced. American cactus-almost a straight cactus-with 10 inch blooms, 6 inches deep and with unusual colors. Two-tone magenta, with plum an. purple overcast and pure white center and tips. Good stems. A \$25 variety. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.75.

Minnie Eastman (Eastman)—Classed as a Decorative to my mind it is a true Hybrid Cactus. A striking red and gold flower, up to 10 inches in size and on 3 foot (or more) stems. A large and vigorous plant and a most prolific bloomer, holding good size all the season. Very striking in the garden and fine for exhibition. We won a blue on vase of 12 of these at Ports-Roots \$4. Plants \$2. mouth.

Miss Longview, H. C. (Tyler)-The best of Miss Tyler's 1929 introductions. This huge Dahlia is bright canary yellow, reverse jasper red, which suffuses the many other rows of petals as they mature, giving them a soft, salmon tone, while center retains its yellow color. The whole flower has a glisten and sheen, and grows 10 inches across and 6 inches deep without disbudding-and on long, cane-like stems. A worthy rival of the great Marmion. Roots \$6. Plants \$3.

Mrs. Alfred B. Seal, Dec. (Seal)-Described by the originator as follows:-"Undoubtedly the largest and finest pure, rich, glowing, old rose Dahlia ever produced-nothing we have ever seen can even remotely approach it. Such an unusual coloring—the softest, richest shade of pure, glowing old rose imaginable. The flowers are huge, measuring with Siskiyou, and of great depth and substance, and held proudly erect above a tall, strong bush. It won at Palace Hotel, the Garden and Home Builder Achievement Medal for Best New Dahlia, originated west of the Rocky Mountains. New for 1929 and the outstanding Western Dahlia of the year. Roots \$7.50. Plants \$3.75.

My Country, Dec. (Murphy)—The big noise in the red and white class. A 9 to 10 inch bloom, of great depth, on stiff stems, facing. The 2 inch wide petals are pure white, edged with deep garnet, later turning to all garnet at base tipped white. Thrifty grower, but not tall and needs no stakes. Prolific A striking royalty needs no stakes. Prolific. A striking novelty. Plants \$2. Roots \$4.

My Maryland, H. C. (Downs) — A beautiful bright pink, each petal tipped ivory, both at center and on outside of flower. Many prizes including Garden and Home Achievement Medal. Large flower, on strong stems. Roots (limited) \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Margaret Woodrow Wilson, Dec. (F. and M.)-A lovely flower of opalescent pink, face a creamy white, reverse phlox pink. Large and deep on fine stems. Prolific. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Marmion, Dec. (Tyler)—A giant plant and giant flower, 11 to 12 inches across and 6 inches

deep and holds its size and center. Pure golden

yellow with bronzy tints, held aloft on 4 foot stems, like cane. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Mrs. Dingee, P. D. (Brock) — Another giant variety, with beautiful foliage and extreme vigor. Flowers are lovely, a combination of salmon-rose, soft pink and gold and of extreme size. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Nanaquaket, Dec. (Richards) — An immense bloom of extraordinary beauty. One of the three best pinks grown. A delicate shade of orchid pink, each petal bordered with a hair line of deeper orchid pink. Easily grown to 10 and 12 inches with ordinary disbudding. Long, stiff stems. Very striking. Roots \$3. Plants \$1.50. Special price in quantity.

Orange Wonder, Dec. (Truesdale) — Beautiful golden orange, shading to burnt orange in center. An 11 inch flower on strong stems over a robust plant. An impressive flower, winner of several Certificates and Medals. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Oyster Bay Beauty, Dec. (Chemar)—A rich, dark red and most prolific of its color, carrying 25 to 30 large blooms at one time. Striking and beautiful. Stems good. Plant very sturdy and branching and requires no staking. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Our Country, Dec. (Stillman) — Very large. Deep purple, tipped white—always. Formerly \$50. Roots \$1.50. Plants \$1.

Pride of Stratford, Dec. (M. and S.)—A strikingly beautiful Dahlia of large size, on long, sturdy stems. A brilliant cadmium orange, shading slightly to orange yellow in center. Always in demand. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Primula Rex, Dec. (Broomall)—Has won many prizes in the Specimen Bloom and Largest Flower classes. Clear primrose yellow of distinctive appearance on long, rigid stems. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

Queen of the Garden Beautiful, Dec. (Burns)
—A giant flower of pure, glistening yellow and
unique formation, petals very wide and buttercup shape. Stems extra long and rigid. Many
prizes in Largest Bloom Class. Roots \$2. Plants
\$1

Regal, Dec. (Bessie Boston)—Her largest introduction and a Gold Medal Dahlia. Grown up to 16 inches in California. Many huge Dahlias are rather shy bloomers, but Regal is very prolific. The crown blossom will be at least 12 inches, and other flowers of this immense size may be obtained by disbudding. A beautiful combination of Autumn shades, bronze, heavily suffused with dull old rose and shading to gold at the base of the petals. One of my best sellers. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Romance, Dec. (Schling)—An immense and wonderfully beautiful flower of rich, clear, pink, charmingly interblended with lighter pink. One of the most beautiful Dahlias in existence and a

worthy rival of Kathleen Norris. The flowers are deep, as well as very large and on long, canestiff stems. An early and prolific bloomer and a grand Dahlia in every way. I consider Romance, Kathleen Norris and Nanaquaket the three finest pinks grown and Romance is by no means the least of these. Roots \$6. Plants \$3.

Robt. Scott, Dec. (Brock)—An older variety but still wonderfully fine. Extra large flowers are produced in great abundance and on perfect, extra long stems. Frequently 6 to 8 huge flowers open at once and it is one of the first to bloom. A fine variety at a small price. Roots \$1.50. Plants \$1.

Rose Stilson, Dec.—The lovely blooms are a deep old rose, touched with violet, shading to gold at base of petals. Flowers of great size held well above a medium bush on long, stiff stems. Roots 86. Plants \$3.

Sunrise, Dec.—Another of Murphy's good ones which I consider his best introduction. Flowers are gorgeously beautiful, two-tone salmon pink, with gold variations and tips in soft pastel tones. Truly named, it resembles a gorgeous sunrise—or sunset. Giant blooms up to 11 inches, deep and full, held high above a sturdy bush, on best of stems. An additon to any collection. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Silverado, H. C. (Seal.)—Almost a cactus and the largest of its class. I grew it 11½ inches last season. Immense, feather blooms of white, shading to delicate silvery, lavender at the center. Bush tall and well branched with blooms held well above it on extra long stiff stems. Roots \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.

Sultana, Dec. (Beatrice) — A giant flower, whose predominating color is tan, with rose and mulberry shading at all times. Prolific and 10 to 12 inches across. Stems O. K. Roots \$2.50. Panlts \$1.25.

Sanhican's Nymph, Dec. (F. and M.)—Large exhibition flower outstanding for size and beauty. Petals quilled and never open at center. Color rich primrose yellow, reverse touched with faun-rose. A unique and beautiful flower, with perfect stems. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Sanhican's Queen, Dec. (F. and M.)— Visitors are always attracted by the unusual and beautiful colorings of this Dahlia which is almost impossible to describe. It is a blending of apricot, faintly tinted carmine rose, deepening toward the tight center. Extra fine keeper, either for cutting or exhibition. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Shoe City, Dec. (Carver)—Pure, golden bronze all through, with quilled petals. A prolific producer of large exhibition flowers, which never show a center and carried on wonderful stems, above the foliage. Splendid keeper. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

The Telegram, Dtc. (Marshall)—Unusual and beautiful flowers of pale orange, tipped pure

white. Medium size. Very striking. Roots \$2. Plants \$1.

The Lemonade, Dec. (Ward)—One of the best yellows and a New England production. Has size, beautiful formation and long, rigid stems. A clear lemon yellow and a splendid keeper on the bush or exhibition table. Roots \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.

The Spirit of St Louis, Dec. (Carver)—Winner of Achievement Medal at Boston. A superb flower of wonderful beauty. Color different, nearest to the American Beauty Rose. Free bloomer, flowers very large and deep. Roots \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

The Surprise, Dec. (Marshall) — Light wine, blended chamois. Large, grand stem. Roots \$1.

The Bashful Giant, Dec.—Largest Dahlia grown, buff and amber. Roots \$1.

Trentonian, Dec.(F. and M.)—Giant bloom and cane stems. Reddish bronze, with gold and coppery tints. Roots \$1.

The World, Dec. (Maytrott)—This wonderful flower was selected and named for the N. Y. World. Color is unusual—deep, rosy, magenta, overlaid garnet, with silver shadings on edges of petals. A rich and beautiful combination of colors. Flower 8 to 10 inches across and half as deep, center and stems perfect. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Treasure Island, Dec. (Maytrott)—One of the brightest autumn shade Dahlias. Bright apricot, with gold and rose suffusion and shadings. Flowers 10 inches by 5 inches deep, on long, stiff stems. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Valentino, Dec. (B. Boston)—One of her most beautiful introductions. A beautiful soft salmon pink, shading to a creamy center, on long, upright stems. Has great size and attractive formation. An outstanding variety. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Watchung Wonder, Dec. (Smith)—One of the wonders of the Dahlia world. Flowers 11½ inches and 7 inches deep are common, on stems that are absolutely stiff. Royal red, with a touch of gold at center which is always full. A spectacular flower and a sensation at New York and Newark. Roots \$7.50 net. Plants \$3.50.

Western Giant, Dec. (Lee)—A giant of giants and even larger in diameter than Marmion. Also very prolific, with 5 to 7 huge blooms open at once on 3 foot rigid stems. Sure winner in Big-Bloom Class. Color, bright orange, with tint of gold, reverse salmon-rose. A good one. Roots \$6. Plants \$3.

W. J. Erwin, Dec. (Brock)—A lavender pink of immense size and perfect stem. Low grower. Roots \$1.

Waldheim Sunshine, Dec. (Peacock)—This giant hybrid decorative is one of the best. A

true deep yellow, with darker reflex and rich, golden suffusion around the high center. Sturdy grower and free bloomer, held upright on strong, erect stems. Roots \$4. Plants \$2.

Watchung daroon, Dec.—Another of Smith's A giant flower, almost black, resembling Ft. Washington, but larger and darker. Tall grower and long, stiff stems. Roots \$5. Plants \$2.50.

Yellow Beauty, Dcc. (Wood-Waite)—Seedling of Jersey's Beauty, having same splendid stem, perfect form and habit of growth. Color pure empire yellow. Roots \$7. Plants \$3.50.

Yellow Princess, Dec. (Frazer)—A sensation, and one of the best yellows grown. Flowers 10 to 12 inches on stiff stems. Many prizes and medals and sure winner in Largest Bloom Class. Root \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Yankee King, Dec. (Wood's)—Very large, and held over a tall vigorous bush on extra fine stems. Winner of many prizes at New York and elsewhere. Color an intense flame, with rose reverse. Certificate at Storrs. An outstanding variety. Roots \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

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